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Amendment to the Claims

IN THE CLAIMS

1-17. (Cancelled)

Insert new claims 18-32, as set forth below:

- 18. (New) A compound of the formula Wherein R₁ is –CH₂OH,-COOH or –COO-(C₁₋₆)alkyl; and A is hydrogen or hydroxy; Including the stereoisomers, enantiomers, racemic mixtures thereof oftheir pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.
- 19. (New) A compound according to claim 18 wherein A is H.
- 20. (New) A compound according to claim 19 wherein A is OH.
- 21. (New) A compound according to claim 19 wherein R₁ is -CH₂OH.
- 22. (New) A compound according to claim 19 wherein R₁ is –COOH.
- 23. (New) A compound according to claim 19 wherein R₁ is –COO-(C ₁₋₆)alkyl.
- 24. (New) A compound according to claim 18 wherein R₁ is –COO-(C₁₋₃) alkyl.
- 25. (New) compound according to claim 18 wherein the compound is 4-[4 (hydroxydiphenylmethyl)-1-piperidinyl]-1-hydroxybutyl]-a-methylphenyl acetic acid.
- 26. (New) A compound according to claim 18 wherein the compound is 4-[4 (hydroxydiphenylmethyl)-1-piperidinyl]-1-hydroxybutyl]-a-methylphenyl acetate.
- 27. (New) A compound according to claim 18 wherein the compound is 4-[4 (hydroxydiphenylmethyl)-1-piperidinyl]-1-hydroxybutyl]-2-methylphenyl alcohol.
- 28. (New) A Composition comprising an assayable amount of a compound of claim 18 in Admixture or otherwise in association with one or more inert carriers.
- 29. (New) A pharmaceutical composition comprising an effective antiallergic amount of Compound of claim 18 in admixture of otherwise in association with one or more

Pharmaceutically acceptable carriers or excipients.

- 30. (New) A pharmaceutical composition comprising an effective antihistaminic amount of compound of claim 18 in admixture or otherwise in association with one or more Pharmaceutically acceptable carriers or excipients.
- 31. (New) A method for treating allergic reactions in a patient in need thereof which comprises administering to said patient an effective antiallergic amount of compound of claim

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- 32. (New) A method for treating allergic reactions in a patient in need thereof which comprises administering to said patient an effective antihistaminic amount of compound of claim 19.